# STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH BUREAU OF REGULATORY SERVICES

In re: Brian Elliott, E.M.T.

Petition No. 2001-0228-070-001

### **CONSENT ORDER**

WHEREAS, Brian Elliott of Southington (hereinafter "respondent") has been issued certificate 960271 gr number to practice as an emergency medical technician by the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") pursuant to Chapter 368d of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended; and,

## WHEREAS, the Department alleges that:

- At all relevant times, respondent was employed as an emergency medical technician by Hunter's Ambulance Service, Inc., in Meriden.
- 2. On or about November 10, 2000, respondent was physically and verbally abusive to H.R., an eighty-one year old patient at Masonic Geriatric Healthcare Center, whom respondent was assigned to transport via ambulance.
- 3. The above described facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, §19a-180 and §19a-179-15 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

WHEREAS, respondent, in consideration of this Consent Order, has chosen not to contest the above allegations of wrongdoing but, while admitting no guilt or wrongdoing, agrees that for purposes of this or any future proceedings before a hearing officer designated by the Commissioner (hereinafter "the Department"), this Consent Order shall have the same effect as if

proven and ordered after a full hearing held pursuant to §§19a-180 and 19a-17 of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §§19a-180 and 19a-17 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, respondent hereby stipulates and agrees to the following:

- 1. Respondent waives his right to a hearing on the merits of this matter.
- 2. Respondent's certificate number to practice as an emergency medical technician in the State of Connecticut is hereby reprimanded.
- 3. Respondent's license shall be placed on probation for a period of one year under the following terms and conditions:
  - a. Respondent shall provide his employer at each place where respondent practices as a paramedic throughout the probationary period, with a copy of this Consent Order within fifteen (15) days of its effective date, or within fifteen (15) days of commencement of employment for a new employer. Respondent agrees to provide reports from such employer monthly for the duration of the probationary period, stating that respondent is practicing with reasonable skill and safety.
  - b. Within the probationary period, respondent shall attend and successfully complete a course in education in behavioral management and intervention with dementia patients, pre-approved by the Department. Within ten days of the completion of such coursework, respondent shall provide the Department with proof, to the Department's satisfaction, of the successful completion of such course(s).
- 4. All correspondence and reports are to be addressed to:

Bonnie Pinkerton, Nurse Consultant Department of Public Health Division of Health Systems Regulation 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #12HSR P.O. Box 340308 Hartford, CT 06134-0308

- 5. All reports required by the terms of this Consent Order shall be due according to a schedule to be established by the Department of Public Health.
- 6. Respondent shall comply with all state and federal statutes and regulations applicable to his licensure.
- 7. Respondent shall pay all costs necessary to comply with this Consent Order.
- 8. Any alleged violation of any provision of this Consent Order may result in the following procedures at the discretion of the Department:
  - a. The Department shall notify respondent in writing by first-class mail that the term(s) of this Consent Order have been violated, provided that no prior written consent for deviation from said term(s) has been granted.
  - b. Said notification shall include the acts or omission(s) which violate the term(s) of this Consent Order.
  - c. Respondent shall be allowed fifteen (15) days from the date of the mailing of notification required in paragraph 8a above to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Department that he has complied with the terms of this Consent Order or, in the alternative, that he has cured the violation in question.
  - d. If respondent does not demonstrate compliance or cure the violation by the limited fifteen (15) day date certain contained in the notification of violation to the satisfaction of the Department, he shall be entitled to a hearing before the Department which shall make a final determination of the disciplinary action to be taken.
  - e. Evidence presented to the Department by either the Department or respondent in any such hearing shall be limited to the alleged violation(s) of the term(s) of this Consent Order.

- 9. In the event respondent violates any term of this Consent Order, respondent agrees immediately to refrain from practicing as a paramedic, upon request by the Department, for a period not to exceed 45 days. During that time period, respondent further agrees to cooperate with the Department in its investigation of the violation, and to submit to and complete a medical, psychiatric and/or psychological evaluation, if requested to do so by the Department; and, that the results of the evaluation shall be submitted directly to the Department. Respondent further agrees that failure to cooperate with the Department in its investigation during said 45 day period shall constitute grounds for the Department to seek a summary suspension of respondent's license. In any such summary action, respondent stipulates that failure to cooperate with the Department's investigation shall constitute an admission that his conduct constitutes a clear and immediate danger as required pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, sections 4-182(c) and 19a-17(c).
- 10. In the event respondent violates any term of this Consent Order, said violation may also constitute grounds for the Department to seek a summary suspension of his license before the Department.
- 11. In the event respondent is not employed as a paramedic for periods of thirty (30) consecutive days or longer, or is employed as a paramedic less than twenty (20) hours per week, or is employed outside of the State of Connecticut, respondent shall notify the Department in writing. Such periods of time shall not be counted in reducing the probationary period covered by this Consent Order.
- 12. Legal notice shall be sufficient if sent to respondent's last known address of record reported to the Licensure and Registration Section of the Division of Health Systems Regulation of the Department.
- 13. This Consent Order is effective on the first day of the month immediately following the date this Consent Order is accepted and ordered by the Department.

- 14. Respondent agrees that this Consent Order shall be deemed a public document, and the Department's allegations as contained in this Consent Order shall be deemed true in any subsequent proceeding before the Department in which his compliance with this Consent Order or with §19a-180 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, is at issue.
- 15. Any extension of time or grace period for reporting granted by the Department shall not be a waiver or preclude the Department from taking action at a later time. The Department shall not be required to grant future extensions of time or grace periods.
- 16. This Consent Order and terms set forth herein are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review under any form or in any forum. Further, this Order is not subject to appeal or review under the provisions of Chapters 54 or 368a of the General Statutes of Connecticut, provided that this stipulation shall not deprive respondent of any rights that he may have under the laws of the State of Connecticut or of the United States.
- 17. This Consent Order is a revocable offer of settlement which may be modified by mutual agreement or withdrawn by the Department at any time prior to its being executed by the last signatory.
- 18. Respondent permits a representative of the Legal Office of the Bureau of Regulatory

  Services to present this Consent Order and the factual basis for this Consent Order to the

  Department. Respondent understands that the Department has complete and final

  discretion as to whether this executed Consent Order is approved or accepted.
- 19. Respondent understands and agrees that he is responsible for satisfying all of the terms of this Consent Order during vacations and other periods in which he is away from his residence.
- 20. Respondent has the right to consult with an attorney prior to signing this document.

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I, Brian Elliot	t, have read the above Consent Order, and I stipulate and agree to the terms as set
forth therein.	I further declare the execution of this Consent Order to be my free act and deed.

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Brian Elliott, E.M.T.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this <u>10th</u> day of <u>January</u> 2002
Notary Public on person authorized
by law to administer an oath or affirmation
Mark J. Sciota
Commissioner of the Superior Court
The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the
Commissioner of the Department of Public Health on the 24 th day of
January 2002, it is hereby accepted.

Debra J. Turcotte, Director

Division of Health Systems Regulation

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### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

February 4, 2003

Brian P. Elliott, EMT 68 Cedar Drive Southington, CT 06489-3303

re:

**Consent Order** 

Petition No. 2001-0228-070-001

Certificate No.: 960272

**Completion of Probation** 

Dear Mr. Elliott:

Please accept this letter as notice that you have satisfied the terms of your certificate probation, effective 02/01/2003.

Notice will be sent to the Department's Office of Practitioner Licensing and Certification to remove all restrictions from your EMT certificate, related to the above-referenced Consent Order.

Please be certain to retain this letter as documentation that you have completed the certificate probation.

Thank you for your demonstrated cooperation throughout the probationary process.

Sincerely,

Richard Goldman Paralegal Specialist II

Division of Health Systems Regulation

c:

J. Filippone, PHSM

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